

City of Annapolis

*160 Duke Of Gloucester Street
Annapolis, MD 21401*



Standing Committee Minutes

Thursday, June 15, 2017

1:30 PM

Mayor John T. Chambers, Jr.
City Council Chambers

Environmental Matters Committee

1. Call To Order

Chairman Littmann called the meeting to order at 1:36 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 2 - Alderman Arnett and Alderman Littmann

Absent: 1 - Alderman Pfeiffer

2. General Discussion

[ID-225-17](#) Update: Forest Conservation Projects

Attachments: [Current Projects 5 26 17.pdf](#)

Planning and Zoning Director Gutwald gave an overview of the legislation and spoke on the 39 Hudson Street revisions for the Forest Conservation Plan, the 2010 West Street tax credits received, formal plans to be submitted, the 9 Elliott Road, Central Park submission of Site Plan Revision, the 1750 Forest Drive Forest Conservation Plan approval, the Parole Place Forest Stand Delineation under review, the Primrose Hill storm water issues, the Annapolis Towns Project under construction and answered questions from the committee.

Office of Environmental Policy Director Broadbent was available to answer questions from the committee.

This Informational Item was presented

3. Legislation before Committee

[O-24-17](#) Boat Launch Enforcement Authority - For the purpose of permitting an authorized agent of the City of Annapolis to exercise limited authority in boat launch enforcement; ensuring that patrons that utilize boat ramp(s) pay appropriate launching fees; and matters generally relating to extending boat launch enforcement powers to an authorized agent.

Attachments: [O-24-17 Boat Launch Enforcement.docx](#)

[O-24-17 Staff Report.docx](#)

[O-24-17 Fiscal Impact.pdf](#)

[O-24-17 MAB Recommendations.pdf](#)

Acting City Attorney Leonard gave a brief overview of the discussion topic and answered questions from the committee.

Alderman Arnett moved to recommend favorably. Seconded. CARRIED on voice vote.

Aye: 2 - Alderman Arnett and Alderman Littmann

Absent: 1 - Alderman Pfeiffer

General Discussion II

[ID-226-17](#) Update: Tree Canopy

Attachments: [Urban-Tree-Planting-Fact-Sheet-final.pdf](#)

Office of Environmental Policy Director Broadbent gave an overview of the discussion topic and spoke on the measurement of tree canopy, the loss of Ash trees in the City and statewide to insect, a longer bonding period for trees in the Forest Conservation Act, the Forest Conservation Technical Manual, space for the No Net Loss trees, preserving Mulberry Trees, more on-site tree preservation, replacing the Braford Pears Trees. the alternate best management practices and answered questions from the committee.

This Informational Item was presented

[ID-235-17](#) Discussion on Policies and Initiatives for the City of Annapolis to Undertake to Pursue the Goals of the Paris Climate Agreement

Attachments: [Comments Paris Climate.docx](#)
[Comments from AEC.pdf](#)

Office of Environmental Policy Director Broadbent was present to answer questions from the committee.

Rick Kissel, Vice Chair representing the Annapolis Environmental Commission gave a presentation on the discussion topic and answered questions from the committee.

Ted Weber, 1022 Park Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 representing the Annapolis Environmental Commission spoke on the discussion topic and answered questions from the committee.

Dick Lahn, 1488 Harwell Avenue, Crofton, Maryland 21114 representing "the Annapolis group of the Citizen's Climate Lobby" spoke on the discussion topic and answered questions from the committee.

Philip Favero, representing "Climate Stewards City of Annapolis" spoke on the discussion topic and answered questions from the committee.

Nancy Plaxico, 330 Shore Drive, Annapolis, Maryland 21403 spoke on the discussion topic and answered questions from the committee.

This Informational Item was presented

4. Adjournment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

**Cyndi Gaines
City Council Associate**